

## Fire Sends Community Into Frigid Weather



Pictured above is the locker on the ground floor where the January 6 fire broke out.

by Amy Mattison

On Tuesday, January 6, a fire that broke out in a locker forced the entire Ford community to leave the school and retreat into the sub-freezing temperatures outside the building.

The fire was discovered by Mr. Ray Nash who was on his way to his car when he smelled smoke coming from a locker outside room 172. He saw the smoke coming out of the grills of the locker door, he said, and going up toward the ceiling.

The first thing Mr. Nash did was to get everyone in the nearby classrooms evacuated. Next he got a fire extinguisher and tried to shoot the foam up through the

grills in the locker door. When this didn't work and the smoke became more intense, Mr. Nash, along with Brother Michel, pulled the fire alarm and saw to it that the Fire Department was called. They then clipped the lock and succeeded in extinguishing the fire.

After inspecting the locker, the Fire Chief told Brother Michel that there was no evidence that a "device" had been used and, therefore, he labeled it "not suspicious." He also said it was "impossible to tell" the actual cause of the fire.

The locker itself was singed on the outside, and, according to Brother Michel, the fire damaged a student's books and coat.

## N.H.S. Sock Hop a Success



James Tully helps transform Ford's cafeteria for our second annual "Sock Hop."

by Angela Diorio

On Saturday, January 31, 1981 a Sock Hop was held in the Ford cafeteria. It was sponsored by the National Honor Society to raise money to pay the tuition of students who cannot afford to pay tuition increases. The money that was raised was given to the treasurer's office where they will decide whom the money will be presented to. The dance brought us

back a step in time. We felt that we were really in the '50's. The students who prepared the dance this year outdid themselves; the dance was worth all the effort put into it. The students showed imagination in all their costumes. The dance this year was a big success. Many hope that this will be an annual event since everyone always enjoys himself so much!

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## Police Riot at Garden

by Wendy Lau

On January 10, Madison Square Garden was sold out; but on that night, instead of people gathered around to see an exciting Ranger game, people were gathered to see the Police.

Sector 27, the opening act, started at 9 P.M. with their songs (including "Where Can We Go Tonight"), and they played very well. After they finished, people were anxious to see the headliners, the Police. Their shouts and cries could be heard all over the Garden. Finally, after what seemed hours, the Police came out, Sting (Gordon Sumner on bass guitar and lead vocals) wearing a graduation gown, Andy Summers (lead guitar) in a black glitter outfit, and Stewart Copeland (drums) wearing green shorts, T-shirt, and sweat socks. They played a recording of "Voices Inside My Head" in order to give them time to get on stage, but after that, it was Police live! They opened with "Don't Stand So Close To Me." Sting cracked a few jokes in between "So Lonely," "De Do Do De Da Da Da" and "Next To You."

It was fantastic! The audience clapped and sang along with them. Before the night was over, they had two encores with Andy doing a cartwheel on stage!

## Seniors Ski at Lake George

by Marie Cassidy

It was February 16, 1981, a cold Monday morning, when the senior class gathered outside Ford for their annual ski trip. The morning air was filled with excitement as the five busloads of seniors departed to start a trip that would be filled with fun, joy, and a lot of ups and downs (in more ways than one!).

Before reaching the Ramada Inn, the seniors stopped off at one of the ski slopes to kind of give an official start to the senior ski trip. Although there were some experienced skiers, it was a lot of fun and laughs watching the many novices coming down the ski slopes for the first time.

Later, after getting settled at the hotel, the seniors took

off in their own directions to explore the beauty of Lake George. Although not much sleeping was done, the seniors enjoyed many activities they'd set out for during their stay.

A nice part of the trip was to be able to enjoy the company of the chaperones. It was a chance for us to get to know those who have taught and given us so much in the past.

Many of the seniors are sad that the trip is over, for now it is only one of the many memorable events that we shared together during our four years at Ford.

The seniors would like to thank Dr. DeFina and the other faculty members who accompanied us for giving so unselfishly of themselves just to bring happiness to others.



Ford skiers display championship form at Lake George.

## Jean Brodie Comes to Ford

Liz O'Keefe and Leslie Calandra

Look out Broadway, here come the Chalk Circle Players! On May 7th, 8th and 9th the Drama Club will be putting on a production of "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie." The main character's roles have been assigned to the following actors and actresses: Gloria Bischoff, Carolyn Leaver, Faye Purpura, Denise Miller, Carol-Ann Vezo, Gregory Ligouri, Martin Maher,

Diana Fonti, Cathy Schloeman and Mary Anne Svec.

The play takes place at a private school for girls in Scotland. The story concerns a teacher in her prime who influences the lives of a group of students. The question is whether the influence is good or bad.

Mr. Mingrone, the director of the play, stated that it is a well-written play and perhaps the best and most difficult play he will have produced at Bishop Ford.



Prospective members of the cast of *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie* read before Director Joseph Mingrone.

## C.S.P. Begins

by Maria Sallustio

The Christian Service Program consists of a group of qualified students who are willing to volunteer some of their time to communities which are in need of their help.

Once a week these students give up a day or half a day out of their school schedules, and they must catch up with the work they miss.

Not only are these students helping others, they are also helping themselves to get to know different people and to learn about various problems that arise in life.

The students involved in the Christian Service Program are Dennis Brown, James Cutrone, Richard Ferro, Ann Gaffney, Rosa Iuliano, Bill Kelly, Greg Liguori, Giulio Manini, Diane Mineo, Dominic Orlando, Eva Orłowska, Mark Pagan, Maria Rollo, Kathleen Smith, Judy Stachow and Glenn Thomas.

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## First Pool Party Held

by Jim Cutrone

The first annual Bishop Ford pool party, held on January 6 at St. Francis College, was a great success. Approximately seventy-five people attended the event.

Despite the chill of the water, many students remained in for a full three hours. Activities varied from water polo and volley ball to stunt diving. No major injuries were reported, except for a bump on Mr. McCarthy's head caused by a stray water polo ball.

Mr. Campanero was very pleased with the evening. He forgot his bathing suit, though, as a result of a fire in his house. The fire was reported to have been started by his wife!

Clint Ebanks, Coach of St. Francis College's swimming team, commented on how well the students conducted themselves. All the participants can not wait until the next pool party, at which Mr. Campanero promises to wear his bathing suit.

## Another Ford Martyr



Bishop Francis Xavier Ford, martyred in China in 1952, whose niece, Sister Ita Ford, was murdered in El Salvador last December.

Most people are aware that our school's namesake, Bishop Francis X. Ford, who died in a Red China prison in 1952, was a martyr. Bishop Ford gave his life trying to bring the message of Christ to the less fortunate in Communist-ruled China.

What many people may not be aware of is that there is a second martyr in the Ford family. We speak of Ita Ford, Bishop Ford's grandniece. Ita Ford was a Maryknoll Sister for nine years who grew up in St. Francis de Chantel parish and graduated from Fontbonne Hall. She was a servant of the people of Chile from 1973-1978, where she formed Christian Communities, especially in Santiago. When she left Chile she returned to Maryknoll for two years of further study before setting out for El Salvador where she would meet a cruel and brutal death along with Maryknoll Sister Maura Clarke from N.Y.C. and Sister Dorothy Kazel and Jean Donovan, both from Cleveland, Ohio.

There is no political organization that claims to have committed the murders. However, leftist groups have been accused of the murders. Ita Ford and her companions were to the extremists in El Salvador merely circumstances that had to be gotten rid of, and nothing more. Ronald Reagan has said, "I think that all of us in this country are dedicated to... human rights. But I think it must be a consistent policy."

We are anxious to see what actions Reagan will take regarding El Salvador. Will the United States government continue to support El Salvador, despite its faults? It seems the violence is focusing more and more on the Roman-Catholic Church.

## Former Hostages : Another Viewpoint

by Ed Smith

Now that the 52 American hostages are free and all of them home, now that most of the celebrating is over, I think it a good time to reflect on the affair and especially on our attitudes towards it. The time is perfect; we have settled back into our normal routines but have not yet forgotten what happened. And our attitudes do need examining; they are fraught with misconceptions and lack of reason, especially in regard to the Iranians and the hostages.

Our American press has attributed to the hostages such qualities as heroism, patience, fortitude, nobility, innocence, and a higher level of civilization than that of the Iranians. Accusations that they spied for the Central Intelligence Agency have been dismissed as the absurd figments of savage imaginations. And although the media has been careful to stress their humanness, they have not refrained from praising them as extraordinary. They have so lionized the 52 American hostages that one might think of them as perfect.

But the fact is the hostages were not perfect or even extraordinary. They were ordinary human beings caught up in an extraordinary series of events which culminated in the most extraordinary event of all, the seizing of the American embassy in Teheran. They displayed more than the usual amount of heroism, fortitude, and patience mainly because they had to. The average New Yorker is not kidnapped by gun toting militants and does not therefore display the kind of courage and patience that the hostages displayed. Neither were the hostages measurably nobler than the Iranians; America and Iran have different gauges for determining nobility. Nor were they more civilized than their captors; the Iranian militants were driven by their emotions and were, therefore, not acting as they normally would. Besides, who are we to judge another civilization:



"Judge not, that ye may not be judged." And lastly, neither America nor the 52 hostages is completely innocent. It has been standard procedure for the CIA to use willing journalists and diplomats as information sources. At times the CIA has paid for that information. And if we are to believe the British journalist who claims to have seen the embassy records which supposedly name two of the hostages as CIA employees, there were spies among the embassy staff. And those documents have been produced by Iran.

Now don't get me wrong. I'm not saying that Iran was right to seize our embassy and hold the staff hostage. They were wrong and had no justification. But they had their reasons. President Carter did let the Shah of Iran, a man who had killed and tortured thousands of Iranians, into our country. And America did support the Shah for over 20 years. The CIA did put the Shah back into power in 1951 when a popular revolt

had forced him out of the country, placing in to power a "radical" mullah who favored nationalizing the oil fields. The CIA did train the Shah's secret police force, SAVAK, and give them equipment. And SAVAK did, with CIA training and American equipment, torture and kill thousands of the Shah's people and opponents. So the Iranians did, and still do, have cause to be angry with the United States and its people. And if you consider the fact that the Iranian students were experiencing freedom and the emotions attached to it for the first time in many years, you can empathize with them. You can't condone their actions, but you can understand them. The Iranian students were angry with the United States and were understandably rash, so they seized our embassy in Teheran.

So, now that the hostages are out of Iran, let's admit that we have done wrong, avoid doing it again, and live up to our agreement with Iran.

## To the Editor:

The Bishop Ford community is, of course, greatly affected by what goes on outside it. Yet, many topics such as drugs, violence, sex and (probably worst) local government, are ignored. Students sometimes develop distorted views on these subjects, and it seems that **Highpoint** purposely overlooks them, for what reason I do not know.

I am sure that these subjects are difficult to cover in a school newspaper, but understanding of them is, indeed, vital to the well-being of the Ford family.

I urge the Editors of **Highpoint** to bring news of these topics to the student body as it occurs because we can only benefit from well-presented features on these subjects.

Scott Mitchell  
Sophomore Class

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## Faculty Focus:

# Mr. Francis Stephan

by Pascale Bastien

In this issue we focus on Mr. Frank Stephan, Chairman of the English Department.

Mr. Stephan, though a native of Brooklyn, has at one time or another lived in every borough of New York City except Staten Island. He attended Visitation Grammar School in Red Hook, went on to St. Augustine High School, and received an M.A. in English at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Stephan has taught at various other schools, including Bishop Loughlin here in Brooklyn. Incidentally, one of the members of Ford's English Department, Mr. McKay, was a student at Loughlin when Mr. Stephan taught there.

Mr. Stephan has been chairman of our English department for the past three years. He was flattered to be asked to assume that position because he had been teaching here for only a year at the time. He says that the goals of the department are to "emphasize small-group learning and good interpersonal relations between teachers and students." He and the rest of the department would like to individualize student learning in English and to start independent study courses.

English is not Mr. Stephan's only interest. He has a tremendous love of music, and he plays the piano and used to play the trumpet. He also enjoys theatre and the arts, as well as summering at Southold, L.I.



Mr. and Mrs. Stephan's latest "work of art" is their youngest daughter, Elizabeth Ursula, pictured above, displaying a typical "Stephan" expression.

## Principal for a Day

As "principal for a day" of Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School, my goals would be to bring everyone in the Ford community closer together and to make school an enjoyable and pleasant part of one's day.

One idea that I feel would benefit everyone greatly would be a suggestion box into which could be placed any comments, questions, or constructive criticisms or complaints. Many students really have good suggestions, questions, or criticisms, but they often feel embarrassed, or perhaps even afraid, to communicate their viewpoints. The suggestion box would be placed in our lobby; students would not have to sign their sheets. But I must stress the seriousness of this idea. If students were to regard this as a joke, or if they were not sincere, the whole idea could become a meaningless disaster. However, if it were handled maturely and responsibly, it could effect some needed improvements or solve some problems which often go unnoticed.

A school should be like one big, happy family. And in families there are always pictures dating back to those "bare skin" days. Get the picture? If you don't, I suggest you get in the mood to take part in a baby picture contest. Each teacher would be asked to submit his/her best baby picture. Once all of the pictures had been collected, sheets would be circulated in homeroom. For a nominal fee, each student would be encouraged to buy a sheet and to match the faces (which would be posted in a convenient location) with the faculty members. The homeroom with the greatest number of perfectly correct sheets would be given a prize of some kind, such as a pizza party. If this venture were to go really well, the proceeds could be used for a dance, or for other suitable activities suggested by the Student Council.

Returning to academics, I propose a role-reversal day. Each teacher would choose a student from each class who would be responsible for teaching the class on that day. The student would, of course, be given sufficient notice, so that he/she would have at least a couple of days to prepare the lesson. This idea would add some variety to the school day and would give students a taste of what it is like to be on the other side of the desk.

I feel quite strongly about all of the above suggestions, am very enthusiastic about implementing them on my special day, and know that I can look forward to your cooperation and interest.

Margaret Castagna

## Women and the Church

by Barbara Burke

The Catholic Church has been described as the most exclusive men's club in the world.

Since as early as 1252 when the Poor Clares, one of the first religious communities for women, were not accepted as an official congregation until they agreed to follow in the footsteps of the male religious and the systems created for men, women, both religious and lay, have been fighting to have a part in the decision-making processes of the church.

The thirteenth-century theologian, Thomas Aquinas, referred to women as affording "an inclination to unchastity and, therefore, should not be heard in the church." Even today this same attitude has been reiterated over and over by such noted theologians as Louis Bouyer and Rev. Joseph Fessio.

Rigid stands taken against women holding hierarchical positions in the church have prompted charges that the all-male clergy "fears losing control" and that they are "sexually insecure men incapable of understanding women."

One of the most recent volatile issues concerning women's role in the church is the institution of a female clergy.

The key argument on which the church bases its stand against the ordination of women is the "sacramental sign argument," which is the belief that the person saying mass stands in the place of, and must have the form of, Christ, who was a man.

Dr. Sonya Quitslund, a professor of theology, has responded to this notion by asking the question, "Was Christ, as God, taking on humanness, or was He exclusively taking on maleness when He came to Earth? It seems if it was only maleness, then He could not redeem the whole human race."

Because of their attitudes toward the church's position on this and other issues concerning women in the church, many traditionalists have begun labeling equal rights advocates (like Dr. Quitslund and Sister Mary Theresa Kane, renowned for her courageous action some months ago in confronting the Pope on the issue) as "frustrated nuns," "power-hungry females," and "strident feminists."

As to the question whether women will ever be ordained, Sister Theresa Kane replies, "It is not a question of *will* it happen; it has to happen for the church to continue its mission."

The German Jesuit theologian Karl Rahner has stated that "the status of women in the church is always conditioned by the role of women in society..."

By many, women still are considered an insignificant part of the church, much the same as all women of our society seem to be. It is unfortunate that over the years so little has changed.

## Student Focus:

# Leaver and Powers

by Mary Ann Svec

Jean Ann Powers has been an outstanding member of Bishop Ford's girls' basketball team for the past four years. She has also been active in intramurals and she was a member of the swim team. Jean Ann likes to read and she loves to play basketball. She attended Coach Nash's basketball camp for a week this past summer.

Jean Ann wants to go to N.Y.U. or Rutgers or S.U.N.Y. at Purchase. She plans to be a drama major and she wants to play basketball in college.

Jean Ann comes from Immaculate Heart of Mary parish and she works at Circle's Cafe in Park Slope as a cashier. She enjoys her job and the people she meets.

Carolyn Leaver has been in the ecology club for four years and is presently the senior coordinator of the club. She is also a library aide, a member of the math league, participates in the National Honor Society and plays on the tennis team. Carolyn did the sound effects for the drama club for the last play at Ford, *Seven Nuns at Las Vegas*.

Carolyn remarked, "I got

involved and formed friendships here that, whether or not they continue after graduation, I will always remember and cherish."

She is ranked number three in the senior class. She hopes to attend Long Island University next year and major in psychology because she enjoys working with children. Carolyn comes from Immaculate Heart of Mary parish, and she loves to travel.



Carolyn Leaver and Jean Ann Powers.

## All the President's Men

by Edward Stevenson Smith

In 1980, Ronald Wilson Reagan, our fortieth President, continued a tradition: he appointed a cabinet. The thirteen men who will aid and advise him are Alexander Haig (Secretary of State), Caspar Weinberger (Secretary of Defense), Donald Regan (Secretary of the Treasury), William Smith (Attorney General), Richard Shweiker (Secretary of Health and Human Resources), John Block (Secretary of Agriculture), James Watt (Secretary of the Interior), James Edwards (Secretary of Energy), Raymond Donovan (Secretary of Labor), Samuel Pierce (Secretary of Housing and Urban Development), Andrew Lewis (Secretary of Transportation), Malcolm Baldrige (Secretary of Commerce) and Terrel Bell (Secretary of Education). These thirteen men are different in that they have various backgrounds and occupations, and similar in that they are all conservative Republicans who have held administrative posts at some time. All of them will be able cabinet members, and one of them will be brilliant.

That one man is also the most controversial cabinet member. He is Alexander Haig, Secretary of State. At his confirmation hearings before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, some questions arose about his involvement in the Watergate scandal. Even now, after his nomination has been confirmed by both the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the Senate itself, his past involvements in government are still under study. But even if his morality is questionable, his credentials are not. He has experience in Europe (he was commander of the NATO forces, 1975-79), Asia (he joined MacArthur's staff in 1947, served in occupied Japan where he took part in the Inchon landing, and saw action in Vietnam), and intelligence affairs as Deputy to National Security Council Chief Kissinger (all intelligence data was screened by him before it was sent to President Nixon), and has a master's degree in international relations from Georgetown University. He is clear and precise in his thinking, obeys orders implicitly, and is naturally blunt, but capable of being evasive. He is ambitious, but has a strong sense of honor; an ally can trust him. His policies will be conservative. He will place more emphasis on fighting Communism than on human rights, will support Israel, but only to a reasonable extent, and will take a strong stand against Soviet aggression and terrorism. He will be liked by some people, disliked by others, but respected by all.

Under Ronald Reagan and his Cabinet things will be run differently.



## Sportlight:

# Steve Downs

by Sharon Healy

This month's Sportlight focuses on Steven Downs, a sophomore on the varsity basketball team.

Steven is an outstanding athlete. In fact, Bill Travers of the *Daily News* called him one of the top ten sophomores in the Catholic High School League. This season he was moved up from the junior varsity to the varsity squad. Coach Nash explained, "Steven is a natural athlete. He has the desire and ability to be a good player. During one game he scored 46 points. Moving him up helps Steven become a better player, helps the varsity team, and gives

the junior varsity players a chance to work."

Steven has been playing basketball since he was in the fourth grade. He comes from St. Agatha's parish. He was introduced to basketball by watching others and eventually playing himself in Sunset Park. He played for two years with the C.Y.O. before joining Ford's team.

Right now his major interest is basketball. The game takes up most of his spare time. He is undecided about his future plans concerning college. One thing that Steven is certain about is that basketball will be a part of those plans.



Steve Downs, flanked by teammates John Cronin and Bob Balmes.

## Indoor Track Season Ends

by Roger Menze

The 1980-81 indoor track season was highlighted by the outstanding performances of the varsity distance medley relay team and both the freshman and varsity two-mile relay clubs.

The varsity distance relay team, consisting of Billy Kelly, William Leach, Thomas Burns and Danny O'Keefe, finished first in a very grueling match-up held at Pratt. The varsity two-mile relay team, spirited by the extra-

ordinary speed of Daniel O'Keefe, Thomas Burns, Roger Menze and Bill Kelly, just missed qualifying for the Millrose Games held at Madison Square Garden.

Driving the entire indoor season, the freshman two-mile relay team has torn apart the C.H.S.A.A. by winning almost all of their meets. This team, consisting of Richie Palase, Neil Lanzetta, Steve Ward and John Delatone, should be heard from several more times in the near future.

## Falcon's Pride

by John Settimo

Here at Ford we possess a fine athletic program. Each year our teams are contenders in their respective sports. Whether it be track and field, basketball, baseball, soccer or swimming, our teams are always heard from. We have the pride we need to contend against all schools in every sport. I feel it fitting to show our pride and support for our teams with a poem:

### Falcon's Pride

Hear ye! Hear ye!  
We have come,  
The Ford Falcons, second  
to none.  
We are the Red and Black,  
Leaders of the pack.  
We never ever stop fighting  
back,  
But forge ahead and attack!

## Corrigan Reaches Colgate Finals

Regina Corrigan, a senior, is the first girl from Bishop Ford ever to qualify for the semi-final round of the Women's Colgate Games VII.

Regina qualified in the 1500 meter run. She placed 12th, 13th, 14th and 11th, respectively, in the four preliminary rounds held at Pratt Institute. The top 1500 meter runners from the city qualify in the high school division.

### Highpoint

welcomes letters to the  
Editor from responsible  
individuals.

# South Brooklyn Boys II Capture Football Title

by Joe Frega

On December 21, 1980, the South Brooklyn Boys II defeated their arch rivals, South Brooklyn Boys I, 13-6, to capture the Junior-Senior Intramural Football Championship.

S. B. II returned the opening kick out to their 20 yard line. On the game's first play from scrimmage, quarterback Dave Iacona hoped to unleash S.B. II's explosive offense. Iacona darted a bomb into the hands of Eric Bianco for an apparent touchdown. The six points were nullified, due to an off-sides penalty.

S.B. I's first offensive drive was killed by an Iacona interception. However, safety John Fiumara intercepted an Iacona pass for S.B. I; thus, the text of the first half began to unfold. As in a tennis match the ball changed hands, each offensive drive becoming more frustrating than the previous one. One such drive took place with about four minutes left in the half. S.B. II quarterback Robert Cianci

completed first and second down passes to Nicky Delre and Eric Bianco, moving S.B. II within the S.B. I 30 yard line. On third down, Cianci located Iacona in the left corner of the endzone for the game's first score. Referee Ray Habib ruled Iacona out of bounds. When S.B. I safety Frank Fillipis battered away a fourth down pass, another S.B. II drive ended.

The best scoring opportunity for S.B. I came at the four minute mark of the half. Don Fanelli's two completed passes to Sal Mattioli moved S.B. I to midfield. On third and long, Fanelli, spotting his speedy receiver, John Gionelli, unloaded a bomb. The ball bounced off S.B. II safety Iacona's shoulder, rebounded into Gionelli's chest and landed inches away from the diving outstretched hands. S.B. II finally broke the ice when, with less than two minutes left in the half, Cianci connected with receiver

John Geraci for a T.D. plus a 6-0 half time lead.

On S.B. I's first offensive drive of the second half, Fanelli completed two aeriels to John Fiumara, moving the S.B. I to midfield. After an incomplete third down pass, Fanelli decided to gamble on fourth down. His gamble failed and S. B. II took over, darting a bullet into the hands of wide-receiver for six points and a tied game. Iacona, sprinting untouched down the sidelines, returned the following kick to the S.B. I 20 yard line.

Tony Canady knocked down Cianci's first two passes, thus setting the stage for a critical third down. The scoreboard clock read 20 seconds when Cianci took the snap. Scrambling from his left to his right, Cianci searched the end zone until he found Richie Shammass open. Cianci fired a bullet, which Shammass cradled in his stomach for a touch down and a 13-6 victory.

## Ford Wins Ludden Games

by Cliff Bowen

On December 27, 1980, the varsity basketball team went up to Syracuse, N.Y. Led by center Joe Corso and guard Bill Thurlow, the Falcons captured the first place position at the 1980 Bishop Ludden Christmas Tourney.

Corso, who averaged over 24 points a game in the tournament with about 5 rebounds a game, was named the tournament M.V.P., while Thurlow was selected a member of the All Tournament Team.

Rounding out the starting five players were seniors Willy Howard, Tom Sina and Captain Thomas Loverdi, all expending much energy to achieve victory.

Experienced players from the bench included seniors Chris Ryan, Ricky Ferro and Mikey Courtney, who proved to be most efficient at filling in for the starters when they were needed.

## Ford Girls Set New Record

Bishop Ford's Girls' Track Team set a new school record in the two-mile relay on January 31, 1981 at the Iona College meet at the 168th Armory with a team time of 10:23.

Excellent performances were turned in by Regina Corrigan, Maureen McLaughlin, Patricia McAllister and Ingrid Mihailovich. Other extraordinary performances were recorded by the 880 relay team. A team time of 2:01 was in line for 5th place. The team was lead off by Kathy Restaino, Alecia Dukes and Paddy O'Connor, and anchored by Jennifer Pappanicholaou.

## Swimmers Make Gains Despite Tough Season

The Ford swimming team failed to win a dual meet this season. Despite the team's poor record, they did not have an unsuccessful season. The team succeeded in that every member of the team improved upon his/her personal time.

The small squad, usually outnumbered three-to-one, consisted of frosh **Joey Connaghan, Matt Deodato, Michael Kazmierchuz and Jack Wallace**, sophs **Mark Conforti, Bobby Dreher and Steve Hanratty**, juniors **Martin Maher, Sheila McKee and Brian Mooney**, and seniors **Jimmy Cutrone (Capt.) and Donna Gerard**.

The team's season was highlighted by winning eight of eleven events against St. Francis and ten of eleven events against Holy Cross.

The team lost both contests due to lack of depth.

Coach Huchthausen commented, "I'm very pleased with this year's team. The team, as a whole, had plenty of spirit and there were many fine personal accomplishments."

The personal accomplishments Mr. Huchthausen was speaking of were achieved by **Martin Maher, Brian Mooney and Jimmy Cutrone**. **Martin Maher** and **Brian Mooney** were only defeated once in their respective specialties (Maher 100 fly, Mooney 50 free) throughout the entire dual-meet season. **Jimmy Cutrone** was only defeated once in twelve head-to-head races. He also set the Chaminade pool record in the 500 yd. freestyle with a time of 5:00.83.



A Ford swimmer going fast.